

Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Number: G-II-B-368

Name: Chet Kelly Rd. over Mill Run

The bridge referenced herein was inventoried by the Maryland State Highway Administration as part of the Historic Bridge Inventory, and SHA provided the Trust with eligibility determinations in February 2001. The Trust accepted the Historic Bridge Inventory on April 3, 2001. The bridged received the following determination of eligibly.

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Eligibility Recommended <u>X</u>	Eligibility Not Recommended _____
Criteria: <u> </u> A <u> </u> B <u> </u> C <u> </u> D Considerations: <u> </u> A <u> </u> B <u> </u> C <u> </u> D <u> </u> E <u> </u> F <u> </u> G <u> </u> None	
Comments: _____ _____ _____	
Reviewer, OPS: <u>Anne E. Bruder</u>	Date: <u>3 April 2001</u>
Reviewer, NR Program: <u>Peter E. Kurtze</u>	Date: <u>3 April 2001</u>

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Historic Bridge Inventory
Maryland State Highway Administration
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MHT Number G-II-B-368

SHA Bridge No. G-084 Name: Chet Kelly Road over Mill Run

Location:

Street/Road Name and Number: Chet Kelly Road

City/Town: Mineral Springs Vicinity _____

County: Garrett

Ownership: __ State X County __ Municipal __ Other

This bridge projects over: __ Road __ Railway X Water __ Land

Is the bridge located within a designated district: __ yes X no

__ NR listed district __ NR determined eligible district
__ locally designated __ other
Name of District _____

Bridge Type:

__ Timber Bridge
 __ Beam Bridge __ Truss-Covered __ Trestle
 __ Timber-and-Concrete

__ Stone Arch

__ Metal Truss

__ Movable Bridge
 __ Swing __ Bascule Single Leaf __ Bascule Multiple Leaf
 __ Vertical Lift __ Retractable __ Pontoon

__ Metal Girder
 __ Rolled Girder __ Rolled Girder Concrete Encased
 __ Plate Girder __ Plate Girder Concrete Encased

__ Metal Suspension

__ Metal Arch

__ Metal Cantilever

X Concrete
 X Concrete Arch __ Concrete Slab __ Concrete Beam __ Rigid Frame

__ Other Type Name _____

Describe Setting:

Bridge G-084 carries Chet Kelly Road over Mill Run in Garrett County. Chet Kelly Road runs north-south over western flowing Mill Run. The bridge is in a sparsely settled area. The bridge is surrounded by forest.

Describe Superstructure and Substructure:

Bridge G-084 is a single span filled concrete arch bridge. The length of the bridge is 23 feet with a clear span of equal length. The crown is approximately 1-½ feet. The spandrel walls are approximately 7 feet high and 4 feet wide. There is a clear roadway width of 14 feet 1 inch, with an overall width of 15 feet 5 inches. The spandrel wall has heavy scaling. The wingwalls on both the northern and the southern sides of the bridge are made of concrete. Each wingwall is of varying length and width. The wingwalls are approximately 6 feet by 15 feet by 3 feet. According to a 1995 inspection report, the bridge is in serious condition with a sufficiency rating of 20.1.

The builders used a solid reinforced concrete panel parapet. This type of reinforced concrete railing consists of vertical posts securely fastened by dowels to the structure, horizontal rails, and solid panels that fill the space between the posts and the railings. The panels are precast, and the posts and rails were built in place. However, this structure does not have posts separating its paneled sections. The parapets of Bridge G-084 are single panel across the length of the bridge. Each parapet is approximately 23 feet across and 3 feet high. Each section has 2 different types of incised panels. The long incision is approximately 1 foot by 4 feet with 1 foot separating each panel. The short incision is approximately 1 foot by 1 foot with 1 foot separating each panel. The entire pattern of incisions is long, long, short, long, long. The parapet was replaced at the northeast corner at an unknown date.

Discuss Major Alterations:

At an unknown date the southeast parapet and spandrel wall were repaired using pneumatically applied mortar. The northeast corner parapet was replaced at an unknown date.

When Built: 1917

Why Built: Expansion of Garrett County infrastructure. Replacement of an earlier structure.

Who Built: Garrett County Commissioners

Who Designed: Concrete Steel Bridge Company

Why Altered: Unknown.

Was this bridge built as part of an organized bridge building campaign?

No, this bridge was not built as part of an organized bridge building campaign.

Surveyor Analysis:

This bridge may have NR significance for association with:

☒ A Events ☐ Person

☒ C Engineering/Architectural

This bridge was determined eligible by the Interagency Review Committee in February 1996.

Was this bridge constructed in response to significant events in Maryland or local history?

The bridge was built by the Concrete Steel Bridge Company of Clarksburg, WV, a partnership between P.M. Harrison and Frank Duff McEnteer. Mr. Harrison was the representative of the York Bridge Company in Clarksburg, WV and had direct access to the plans and patented designs of Daniel Luten. Mr. McEnteer had come to Clarksburg to build the Palace Furniture Company, a new building made of monolithic frame and "mushroom" floor system. In 1914 McEnteer was appointed to superintend the construction of the Fourth Street Bridge, designed by Luten Bridge Company, and that same year, he and Harrison incorporated their partnership into the Concrete Steel Bridge Company. By 1925, the company had 52 crews in the field and

offices in Pennsylvania in Pittsburgh and Harrisburg, Huntington, West Virginia, and Knoxville, Tennessee and a subsidiary company in Jacksonville, Florida. The Companies' bridges could be found from Florida to New York. Most of the Company's contracts were for structures under 60 feet but, they did build several large spans. A 4 arch bridge with spans of 110 feet each crossed the Greenbriar at Alderson, WV. The Concrete Steel Bridge Company diversified its assets to the point of no return. An effort was made to save Clarksburg's sagging construction industry using the company assets to form the Clarksburg Supply and Equipment Company (a consolidation of the bridge company and two other firms that supplied concrete and concrete blocks). The bridge company attempted to build the large multi-span bridge at Hyner, PA, however, problems with the bridge's foundation caused cost overruns that the company could not absorb. The Concrete Steel Bridge Company liquidated in September 1931. Following the failure of his company, McEnteer joined the West Virginia Road Commission and served as district engineer from 1932 to 1938. In 1942, McEnteer joined the firm of Johnson, Piper and Drake as a project manager for the firm's Middle East contract. In 1943, he was made Chief Engineer of the Construction Division of the US Armed Forces in the Middle East stationed in Cairo. After the war, McEnteer opened a small design firm and worked as an independent consultant until his death in 1957. He designed everything from concrete slabs to coal depots. It is estimated that the time of his death, McEnteer had overseen the construction of a least a thousand bridges through his company alone. He probably built an additional five hundred as a highway engineer and independent contractor. Because McEnteer built small to medium size structures in mostly rural areas his work is not fully known. (Kemp 1990)

Is the bridge located in an area that may be eligible for historic designation and would the bridge add to or detract from historic and visual character of the possible district?

No, this bridge is not located in an area that is eligible for historic designation.

Is the bridge a significant example of its type?

Yes, this bridge is a representative type of structure built in the early part of the twentieth century. The bridge retains the characteristic defining elements of an arch bridge.

Does the bridge retain integrity of the important elements described in the Context Addendum?

Yes this structure retains its character defining elements, including its parapets, wingwalls, abutments, spandrel walls, and barrel.

Should this bridge be given further study before significance analysis is made and why?

Yes, it is important to know how many structures constructed by the Concrete Steel Bridge Company are remaining in the region. There are very few that can be documented with a construction marker.

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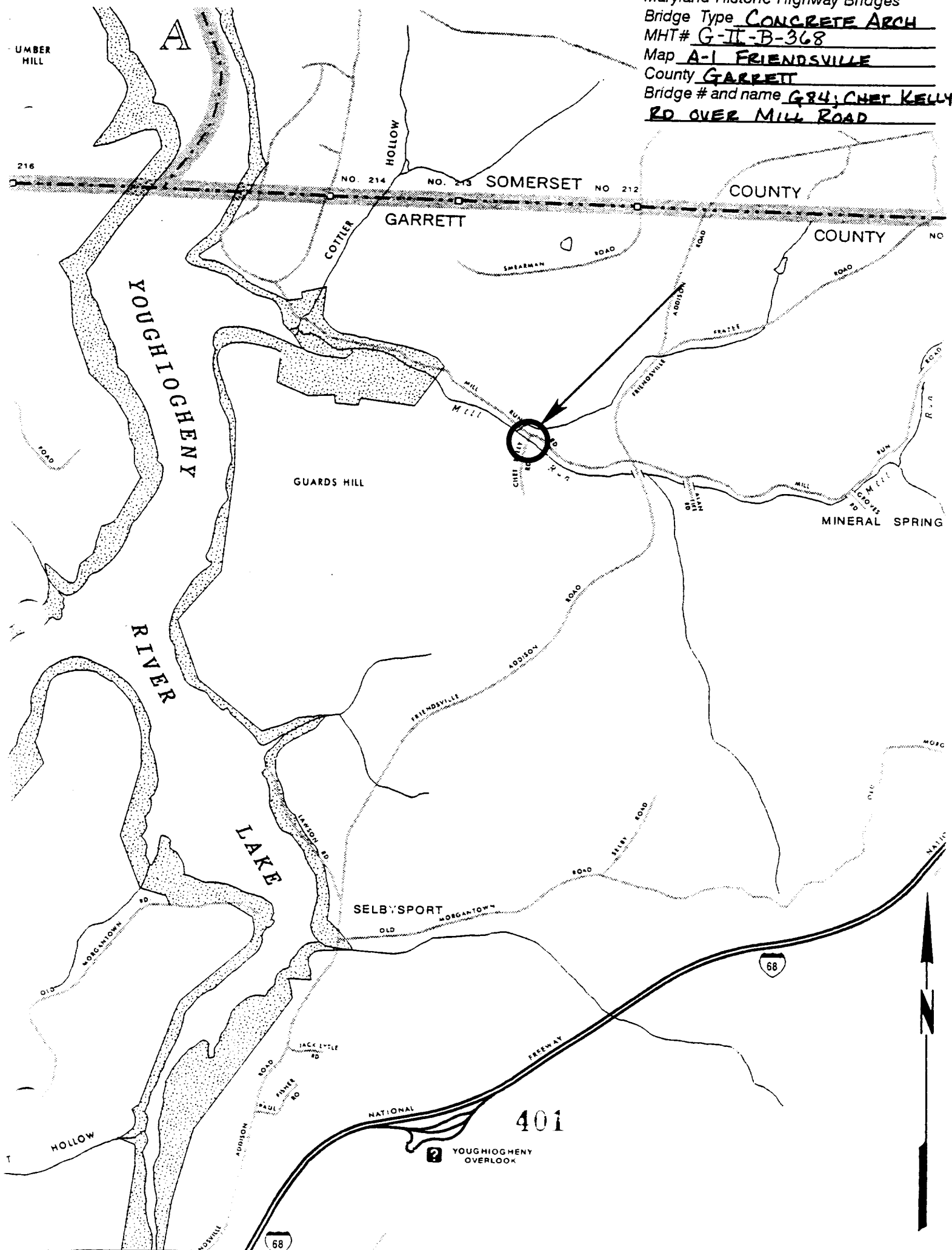
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Maryland Historic Highway Bridges
Bridge Type CONCRETE ARCH
MHT# G-II-B-368
Map A-1 FRIENDSVILLE
County GARRETT
Bridge # and name G84; CHET KELLY
RD OVER MILL ROAD





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OVER MILL RUN
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SOUTH APPROACH

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WEST ELEVATION (DOWNSTREAM)

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